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"An electioneering plane of the political department of the central office of the northern sea route has flown from Moscow to the Arctic. Our special correspondent, Galkin, sent us the following radio message from the plane:

"On Dixon Island the weather is not treating the Arctic workers too kindly. It is cold, there are strong winds, and violent snowstorms are frequent. At two o'clock it is already dark here, but the brightly lit sign "propaganda center" can be seen from afar. On January 27 at 1600 Moscow time our plane landed at Tiksi. We flew in a great arc around the Taimyr Peninsula, flying about 2,000 Kilometers.

"In the history of Polar aviation this is the first time that a flight has been made at this time of the year in the northern part of the Taimyr Peninsula. Arctic workers in northern Taimyr were supplied with electioneering literature, newspapers, magazines, slogans. At some points we dropped parcels from the plane."

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